

House Resolution No. 4436

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestones in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exceptional citizens who are dedicated to helping the most needy and powerless in society; and

Whereas, Rose Crofford has attained considerable distinction as the Director of Treatment at Marygrove, a residential and treatment center in Florissant that serves more than 4,000 children and families from Missouri and southwestern Illinois each year; and

Whereas, after graduating from Washington University with a Master's degree in social work, Rose Crofford began her career in June 1979 with a practicum and then employment as a part-time therapist until she became a full-time social worker who helped troubled young women living at Marygrove, which was then under the guidance and direction of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd; and

Whereas, in May 1985 Rose Crofford was promoted to Director of Childcare to help male and female children and adolescents from the age of six to seventeen; and

Whereas, two years later, Rose Crofford was named Director of Treatment, her current position, to supervise the residential and treatment services provided by Marygrove, including foster and group homes, emergency care, Kids Care Crisis Nursery, education, nursing, therapy, mentoring, and quality assurance; and

Whereas, Rose Crofford is well-respected by her peers and staff who have found her instrumental in helping to develop and expand the services provided to the more than one hundred thirty children, adolescents, and young adults living at Marygrove each day; and

Whereas, in helping Marygrove's abused and neglected children, Rose Crofford diligently works within the placement system to keep families together when possible; and

Whereas, Rose Crofford is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker who is recognized by the Academy of Certified Social Work, serves on the board of Saint Mary's Special School and as a Deputy Juvenile Officer with the Saint Louis Family Court, and is a member of the Florissant Historical Society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive, and ongoing leadership of Rose Crofford at Marygrove and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon attaining the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of her employment there; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Rose Crofford, beloved wife of Jerry Crofford of Florissant, Missouri.

Offered by _____

Representative Clint Zweifel

District No. 78

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4436, adopted November 4, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker